



CALLAN from THAMES

'BLACKMAILERS SHOULD BE DISCOURAGED'

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SYNOPSIS

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ACT I

Sir Gerald Naylor attends a reception prior to his departure for a senior post with the Canadian Atomic Corporation. Callan and Hunter discuss an anonymous letter about Naylor before going to the reception, themselves. Callan talks to Lady Naylor about her husband and learns she is an ambitious lady, very much counting on this appointment. He then faces Naylor with the sexual and political charges made in the letter. Naylor vehemently denies them. Callan asks Lonely for help in breaking into Naylor's flat. Lonely refuses. He has another job. Todd visits Lonely. He is clearly blackmailing him and demanding vast sums of money.

ACT II

Callan raids Naylor's flat and finds a compromising photograph involving several men. He then goes to visit the Rev. Richie in Somerset. He was at Cambridge with Naylor and is one of the people in the photo. He tells Callan about the other men, particularly Benson and Ian Bishop, a very politically conscious student. He also confesses to having written the anonymous letter. Todd calls to make further demands on Lonely. Hunter and Callan interview Benson and learn a little more about the political life of Bishop and his odd friendships. Callan learns from Lonely about Todd and promises to help. Naylor receives a surprise phone call from Bishop in Berlin, making an appointment in London for the next day.

ACT III

Callan and Naylor discuss Bishop, whom the department suspect as being involved in several anti-British political activities. Lady Naylor comes in and Callan says Sir Gerald may not be able to take the Canadian appointment. After Callan has gone Naylor confesses to his wife that the past is not really dead and that he still loves Ian Bishop. Callan interviews Todd, frightens him, and warns him off Lonely. Naylor and Bishop meet. Callan arrives with two men from the Section. Bishop is arrested and Naylor sent home to his empty flat; his wife has left him.

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BENSON	DENIS THORNE
HIGH COMMISSIONER	JOHN APNATT
BISHOP	JOHN WOODNUTT
RITCHIE	JOHN FRANKLYN-ROBBINS
TODD	BARRY ANDREWS
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